

## Double Angel Foundation

Supporting youth baseball and raising the awareness of the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning

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### **DAF Helped Many Youth Pursue Their Sports Dreams in 2019**

Three Denver area youth, Parker Youth Sports and Gameday Baseball were the 2019 recipients of the Double Angel Foundation's efforts to make baseball accessible to all children.

With scholarships to help defray their expenses, the three area youth who were able to pursue their baseball/softball dreams were:

 Bahati Langford, 9, a third grader from Denver, who received a \$540 scholarship to attend the NIKE Baseball Camp at Regis University this summer. Bahati is playing for the Bomb Squad- SE Denver



Bomb Squad- SE Denver Baseball Association.

After the camp, Bahati's mother, Jayna Langford, wrote: "Thank you again, Double Angel Foundation.... He had a great time learning new baseball skills and fellowshipping with other baseball players. His highlight was winning the home run derby for his age group.... This opportunity would not have been possible without the Foundation's assistance, and for that I am truly grateful."

 Arianna White, 13, an eighth grader from Lakewood who plays for Alameda Green Mountain Softball, received a \$300 scholarship to cover her



softball registration fee, uniform and equipment.

In an email, Arianna's mother, Sunshine Thomas, told DAF: "We are so grateful of the opportunity to receive a scholarship from Double Angel Foundation. You all are truly a blessing and have blessed many families. The game last night against Golden had a very fast pitcher, and Arianna hit the ball and got an RBI. We are so proud of this beginner! Thank you again for this opportunity."

• Jade Gonzales, 11, a sixth Grader from Lakewood, received a \$195 scholarship to cover her registration fee to play softball with the Huskies Green

Mountain Girls Softball team this summer.

The Foundation would like to thank Ryan Livingston, a representative with Alameda Green Mountain Girls Softball Association, for his help getting the DAF scholarship application in front of people who need financial assistance to play the game that Dillon and Logan Dixey loved so much!

**Parker Youth**, which had 60 youth baseball teams and 10 youth softball teams for the Sprint 2019 season, used its \$4,000 donation from DAF to purchase:

 Baseball buckets with two dozen practice balls per baseball team. • Softball buckets with two dozen softballs for practice for each girls team.

In the past, coaches needed to collect funds from players or used their own money to purchase the practice balls.

- ♦ Catcher's gear for the baseball teams, as well as a catcher's mitt for each team.
- ♦ Batting helmets with a face mask for extra safety and protection for girls softball.

Gameday Sports received a \$5,000 donation that will be used to help operate the Double Angel Ballpark.

Recipients were expanded this year, following a 2018 decision by the DAF Board of Directors to expand the Scholarship Program to include all area youth between the ages of 5 and 18.

Instead of focusing on seniors who graduate from Parker area high schools, the Foundation plans to spend up to \$5,000 each year, depending on financing and grants, to sponsor ballplayers, ages 5 to 18, who are in need of financial assistance. Scholarships can be used for high school baseball, special needs baseball programs and girls' softball.

Interested applicants should return the completed packet to: Double Angel Foundation, P.O. Box 4004, Parker, CO 80134. ATTN. Double Angel Baseball Scholarship. Further information on Double Angel is available at www.doubleangel.org. Questions can be addressed to doubleangelorg@msn.com or 303-841-2420.

### Three Easy Ways to Help the Double Angel Foundation's Missions

It seems like a good time to remind Double Angel Foundation supporters that there's an easy - and FREE - way to support the Double Angel Foundation. If you make purchases on Amazon.com, all you have to do is sign up with AmazonSmile.

Through AmazonSmile, the company donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.

But first, you need to sign up. When you log in to your Amazon account at <a href="https://smile.amazon.com">https://smile.amazon.com</a>, a default charity will show up in the right-hand column. Click on "Select a different charity." When it asks you to "pick

your own charitable organization," type in Double Angel Inc. When it appears on your screen, click "select."

You have to place your orders from smile.amazon.com. You don't pay anything extra, but your purchases will help Double Angel in its mission to help the area's youth enjoy baseball.

Start today! Support the Double Angel Foundation by shopping at smile.amazon.com.

Of course, contributions can also be made through PayPal on our new revamped website at doubleangel.org or by sending cash or check to Double Angel Foundation, P.O. Box 4004, Parker, CO 80134.

We thank you for your consideration in giving to the Double Angel Foundation to support baseball, award scholarships and to promote carbon monoxide safety.

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#### New Board Members & Website

The Double Angel Foundation is proud to announce two new Board members: **Jessica Farland-Cox** and **Mark Hague**.

Jessica is a Farmers Insurance agent and a proud Colorado/Parker native. She and her husband, Brad, enjoy hiking and long road trips, as well as a good night in. Jessica graduated from Chaparral High School in



Parker. She has been an active member of the DAF scholarship committee.

Mark has been a resident of Parker and the Centennial community since 1998. He is a father of three and dedicated more than 30 years of military service to the Colorado Army National Guard and the



United States Army Reserve, retiring in May

2018. He has served on various committees and mentorship programs throughout his career and looks forward to working with the Double Angel Foundation to further the organization's mission.

Also, check out our revamped website at: doubleangel.org. We hope you like it!

### OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS President Ken Dixey

Vice President Bambi Dixey Treasurer Kathy Denson At Large: Tony Anderson, Dan Farland, Jodi Frank, Mike Nicola, Steve Small, Jessica Farland-Cox and Mark Hague Office Manager: Karen Dunkel

### Thank YOU For Your Support!

Thank you to all of our supporters who contributed to our giving campaign. The spirit in which your generous donations were given will further our goals of guiding children to fulfill their dreams through the joy of recreation and the love of "The Game."

We'd also like to extend heartfelt thanks to:

- Thomas W. Bean Foundation for its \$2,000 grant.
- **IREA** for its \$2,500 grant.
- Steve & Sharon Henriksen, Dick & Mary Eseman, Excel Personnel, Clarence Frierson Jr., Anna Ericson, George & Joyce Hier, Castaways Foundation, Network for Good - Jodi

Frank and Jessica Farland-Cox, and Griff & Lisa Freyschlag, who donated through The River Ranch fund of the National Christian Foundation Rocky Mountains, and all the others who donated to our cause.

- George Heinrich for helping with the mailing labels for the Double Angel newsletter.
- The newsletter volunteers who helped stuff and label the newsletter last year:
   Kathi Irwin, Mike and Chris Nicola, Janice Johnston, Judy Dvorak, Paul & Kathy Schulte, Susan Cormier, Cole Dunkel and Mike Dunkel.

# An Update From *frameday*by Keith Enockson

2019 has been a great year for Gameday Baseball!

Our youth and high school programs are continually excelling at new heights, winning tournaments and constantly engaging within the community in a positive way.

The "Big League Experience" youth tournament series, hosted by Gameday, was once again a major hit within the baseball community! Gameday expanded these tournaments into the high school scene as well. More than 109 teams came through the gates of Double Angel Ballpark for this tournament series alone in 2019!





Our youth and high school camps and clinics continue to draw tremendous interest within the community, as players are able to learn the game through our wonderful facilities and best -in-the-state instruction!

Youth and high school teams for the 2020 season are already filling up, and the future is continually bright for Colorado's premier baseball program!

For more information on Gameday Baseball, please visit www.road2gameday.com/baseball.

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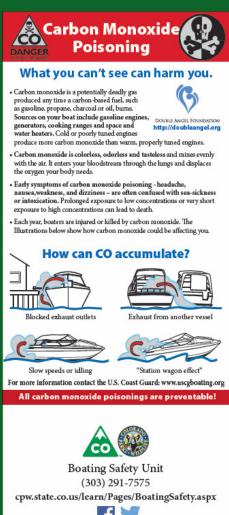
#### STATES TO CONSIDER ADDING WARNING TO SAFETY BROCHURES

The Double Angel Foundation is working to increase awareness about carbon monoxide poisoning throughout the country.

A plan is in progress to include a warning on Boating Safety brochures or pamphlets that states hand out to their residents, similar to the information below, which is used in Colorado.

At the request of Ken and Bambi Dixey, the Boating Safety Division of Colorado Parks and Wildlife brought up the issue at their 50-state conference in Alaska in September.

At press time, the results of that discussion were not available. But stay tuned. We will let you know as soon as we know.



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